

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE****RS20430**

The purpose of this legislation is to create a new section which will provide provisions in the event of an unanticipated public charter school closure. These provisions will require school districts or public charter schools to report students newly enrolled who were enrolled from a public charter that has closed during that school year. The State Department of Education will then use the reported enrollment information to calculate funding that the district or public charter school would have received had the enrollees been enrolled in such districts for the entire school year. Such funding shall be prorated based on the number of days left in the school year and will be included in the next scheduled payment to the district or public charter school.

**FISCAL NOTE**

The fiscal impact is dependent on whether the procedure to provide funding is implemented because of a mid-school year closure of a public charter school. For example, assuming that a public charter school closed at mid-school year with enrollment of 200 students, the salary-based apportionment that would follow the students based on the state-wide average would equal \$17 per student, per day. The total cost in this example would be \$306,000 in funding for staff for one-half of a school year. If no public charter school closes during the school year in FY12, there would be no fiscal impact.

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